

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

NEWBERRY MIDDLE

Newberry

Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 635

Principal: Katrina Singletary

Superintendent: Mr. Bennie Bennett

Board Chair: Mr. Don Saylor

PERFORMANCE

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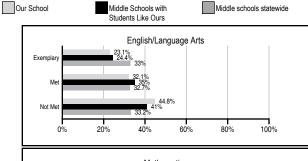
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Below Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

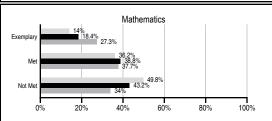
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

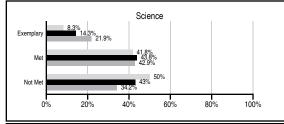
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	26	22	4

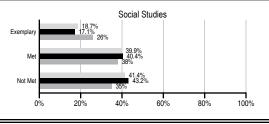
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

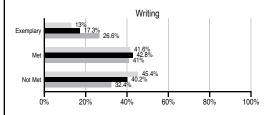












NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

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READING – GRA	DE 8 (2	2009)			
South Carolina		32	44	23	2
Nation		26	43	28	
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced ■ Below Basic □ Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced					
MATH - GRADE 8 (2009)					
South Carolina		31	39	23	7
Nation		29	39	25	7
% Below Basic					
SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)					
South Carolina		31	39	23	7
Nation		29	39	25	
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Proficient Advanced					

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	92.9			
English 1	100.0	90.3			
Physical Science	N/A	76.4			
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A			
All Subjects	100.0	90.9			

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

NEWBERRY MIDDLE [Newberry]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=635)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	14.3%	Up from 12.9%	17.0%	24.2%
Retention rate	0.3%	Down from 1.8%	0.8%	0.7%
Attendance rate	94.8%	Up from 94.6%	95.4%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	30.1%	Up from 9.2%	11.2%	16.4%
With disabilities other than speech	14.5%	Down from 17.3%	13.8%	12.0%
Older than usual for grade	2.7%	Down from 3.2%	3.5%	2.2%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.8%	Up from 1.8%	0.3%	0.5%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=49)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.3%	Up from 57.1%	58.3%	58.5%
Continuing contract teachers	65.3%	Up from 59.2%	72.2%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	20.9%	Down from 28.3%	7.7%	4.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	80.5%	Up from 73.8%	81.7%	84.6%
Teacher attendance rate	93.5%	Down from 94.9%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$43,051	Up 4.4%	\$45,064	\$46,561
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 3.4%	2.4%	1.3%
Professional development days/teacher	12.1 days	Up from 8.2 days	10.5 days	10.2 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.7 to 1	Up from 15.9 to 1	20.0 to 1	21.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	86.5%	Down from 88.3%	90.1%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	92.9%	Down from 98.3%	96.1%	98.1%
Character development program	Good	Up from Average	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,209	Up 3.1%	\$8,638	\$7,802
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.1%	Up from 61.7%	62.3%	63.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	58.2%	Up from 56.0%	57.9%	60.0%
% of AYP objectives met	89.7%	Up from 75.9%	90.5%	92.3%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	166	138
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.3%	66.1%	76.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.6%	71.2%	74.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	67.4%	79.4%	75.7%

^{*}Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2009-2010 school year was filled with many accomplishments as well as typical middle school challenges. We embraced the new report card ratings with growth in three out of the four content areas on PASS. We continued with increased technology efforts that included adding SMART Boards to our related arts classrooms, Smart Response "clickers." and each teacher maintained a faculty webpage to increase parent communication. We had several students recognized as Junior Scholars and several that participated in the Duke Tip program. We added a competitive Technology Student Association to our club list. The Bands of NMS received a Superior rating from the Dixie Classic Festival (Richmond, VA), a Superior rating from Carowinds Music Festival, and an Excellent rating from the SCBDA State Festival. Our chorus competed at the SCMECA competition and received an Excellent Rating. Athletically, we were proud to have an undefeated boys basketball team and 7th-grade football

Our teachers were afforded the opportunity to participate in an Internal Instructional Assessment Review and received professional development on how to write on-target assessments. We completed a book study on Do You Know Enough About MeTo Teach Me? by Stephen Peters as we challenged all teachers to build appropriate relationships with students.

We will continue to dedicate our efforts to educating and engaging the students of Newberry Middle School where, "The Standard is Excellence!"

Katrina L. Singletary, Principal Tammy Harmon, SIC Chairperson

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available